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37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and asked Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

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43 A sense of awe came over everyone, and the apostles performed many wonders and signs. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 Selling their possessions and goods, they shared with anyone who was in need.

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## Matthew 5

14 You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they set it on a stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and

glorify your Father in heaven.

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11 Beloved, I urge you, as foreigners and exiles, to abstain from the desires of the flesh, which war against your soul. 12 Conduct yourselves with such honor among the Gentiles that, though they slander you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day He visits us.

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1 Timothy 3 14 Although I hope to come to you soon, I am writing you these things 15 in case I am delayed, so that you will know how each one must conduct himself in God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth.

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#### Exodus 32

25 Moses saw that the people were out of control, for Aaron had let them run wild and become a laughingstock to their enemies. **26** So Moses stood at the entrance to the camp and said, "Whoever is for the LORD, come to me."

And all the Levites gathered around him.

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27 He told them, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says:

'Each of you men is to fasten his sword to his side, go back and forth through the camp from gate to gate, and slay his brother, his friend, and his neighbor."

28 The Levites did as Moses commanded, and that day about three thousand of the people fell dead.

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